

## REMARKS

At the time of the Office Action dated May 24, 2005, claims 4-20 were pending.

Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's allowance of claims 5-13 and 15. Applicants also acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's indication that claims 17-20 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 4, 14 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

In this Amendment, claims 4, 18 and 19 have been amended, and claims 16 and 17 canceled. Care has been exercised to avoid the introduction of new matter. Specifically, claim 4 has been amended to include all the limitations recited in claim 16 and allowable claim 17. Claims 18 and 19 have also been amended to be dependent on claim 4. Accordingly, the present Amendment does not generate any new matter or any new issue for that matter. Entry of the present Amendment is respectfully solicited pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Based on the forgoing, it is submitted that the rejection of claims 4, 14 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) has been rendered moot by amendment of claim 4 to include allowable claim 17 and cancellation of claim 14. Therefore, this application is placed in clear condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

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including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recognition under 37 C.F.R. 10.9(b)

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